

REMARKS

The above-identified application has been allowed by the issuance of a **NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE**, mailed April 14, 2011. Prior to the issuance of the Notice of Allowance, Claims 1-20 were in this application.

The claims have been amended to make a minor correction to Claim 1 and to add independent Claims 21 and 22, both of which are directed to a scope of the invention to which applicant is believed to be entitled.

In particular, in Claim 1 the expression in the penultimate line the expression

“ ... two slot-shaped accommodating portions (52, 53) ...”

has been changed to read

- - ... a slot-shaped accommodating portion (52, 53) ... - -.

The amendment of Claim 1 is consistent with the specification and the drawings regarding the two accommodating slots 52,53. In particular, in the specification at page 6, line 15, reference is made to Fig. 5, wherein

“ ... two accommodating slots 52,53 for accommodating the flanges 34,35 of the line section 32.”

Accordingly, Claim 1 as amended herein is consistent with the specification and drawings as filed.

The claims as amended herein recite the invention in a manner similar in scope to the claims as allowed. Accordingly, no new matter or new issues are raised in connection with the amendment of Claim 1.

Claims 5 and 6 are amended to clarify the direction of line (13).

Claims 12 and 13 are cancelled, without prejudice.

Claims 14, 15, 16 and 17 are amended similar to Claim 5.

Claim 23 has been added similar to Claim 8, but dependent on Claim 22.

NEW CLAIMS 21, 22 AND 23

New Claims 21, 22 and 23 are submitted herewith in order to recite aspects of the invention to which applicant believes to be entitled. Neither new matter nor new issues are raised by Claims 21, 22 and 23.

Accordingly consideration of the claims as presented in the present Amendment is respectfully requested and allowance of the claims is respectfully and earnestly solicited.

FEE(S)

No additional fee(s) are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this Amendment. Please charge any additional fee(s) which may be required to Deposit Account No. 01-0035.

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